

What is claimed is:

1. An artificial maxillary molar unit comprising an artificial maxillary molar constructed to work as a maxillary molar in an oral cavity,

wherein the artificial maxillary molar includes an occlusal surface on which a ridge having a sharp edge is aligning along a line corresponding to a ridge of a cusp on an occlusal surface of a natural maxillary molar, and the ridge of the occlusal surface of the artificial maxillary molar has opposite sides each formed as a concave surface having an inclination which is made gradually gentler from the occlusal surface toward a root.

2. An artificial maxillary molar unit according to claim 1, wherein a cheek-side surface and a tongue-side surface of the artificial maxillary molar are chamfered.

3. An artificial maxillary molar unit according to claim 1, wherein a plurality of adjacent artificial maxillary molars are integrally or connectably formed.

4. An artificial maxillary molar unit according to claim 2, wherein a plurality of adjacent artificial maxillary molars are integrally or connectably formed.

5. An artificial maxillary molar unit according to claim 1, wherein a hollow is provided on a reverse side of the artificial maxillary molar.

6. An artificial maxillary molar unit according to claim 2, wherein a hollow is provided on a reverse side of the artificial maxillary molar.

7. An artificial maxillary molar unit according to claim 3, wherein a hollow is provided on a reverse side of the artificial maxillary molar.

8. An artificial maxillary molar unit according to claim 4, wherein a hollow is provided on a reverse side of the artificial maxillary molar.

9. An alignment instrument to be used for making a denture by using an artificial maxillary molar unit according to claim 1, wherein an impression corresponding to an occlusal surface of an artificial maxillary molar unit is provided on one surface of the alignment instrument.

10. An alignment instrument to be used for making a complete denture by using an artificial maxillary molar unit according to claim 1, wherein an impression corresponding to

an occlusal surface of an artificial maxillary molar unit and an impression corresponding to an occlusal surface of a mandibular molar are respectively provided on opposite surfaces of the alignment instrument in an occluding state.